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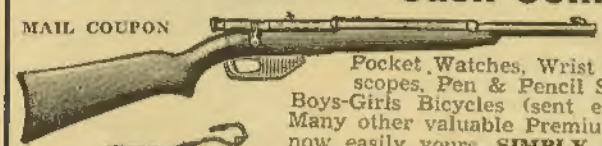

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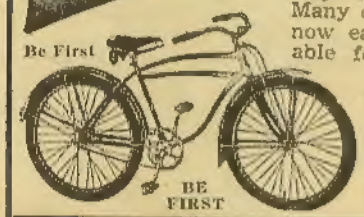

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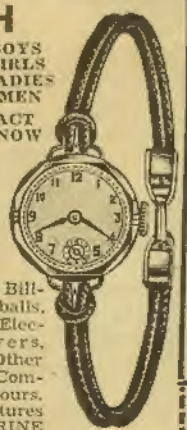

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HEAT OF BATTLE

AN ADVENTURE INTO
BATTLE!
TIME: JULY, 1944
PLACE: FRANCE
THEIR GUNS SPAT DESTRUCTION, BUT STILL THE NAZI TANKS CAME ON, LUMBERING JUGGERNAUTS OF CRUNCHING STEEL AND PULVERIZING POWER! DEATH TICKED AWAY THE SECONDS FOR THE BATTERED, DESPERATE LITTLE GROUP OF G.I.'S... AND IN THOSE SECONDS CHRIS DARROW LEARNED THAT WAR DESTROYED MEN AND MADE MEN! IN THOSE SECONDS HE WATCHED AN ARROGANT TYRANT REDUCED TO A QUIVERING MASS OF TREMBLING FLESH, AND A HOMESPUN HAYSEED BECOME A ROARING, FIGHTING, EXULTANT CHUNK OF DEMONIC FURY... ALL IN "THE HEAT OF BATTLE"
I KEPT LOOKING AT THAT CRUMPLED LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER ALL DAY! SOMEHOW THE IMPORT OF ITS MESSAGE LEFT ME NUMB...
GREETINGS: YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO REPORT... HEREBY ORDERED TO REPORT... AND SO FORTH AND SO FORTH! I GUESS THEY REALLY MEAN IT!
WASTE

WELL, I GUESS THAT TERMINATES MY UNHAPPY RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FIRM OF WADSWORTH AND WELLINGTON! I OUGHT TO CELEBRATE!

HI, SLAVES! WHAT'S THE GLOOM ABOUT? DID EMPEROR SHERWOOD WELLINGTON, THE THIRD, JUST HAVE A FEW WORDS WITH YOU?
THAT BLUE-BLOODED SNOB COULDN'T SAY FEW ENOUGH WORDS TO ME! THE PENNINGTON JEWELRY ACCOUNT JUST BLEW UP IN HIS FACE, SO HE TOOK HIS SPLEEN OUT ON US! WE'RE FIRED!

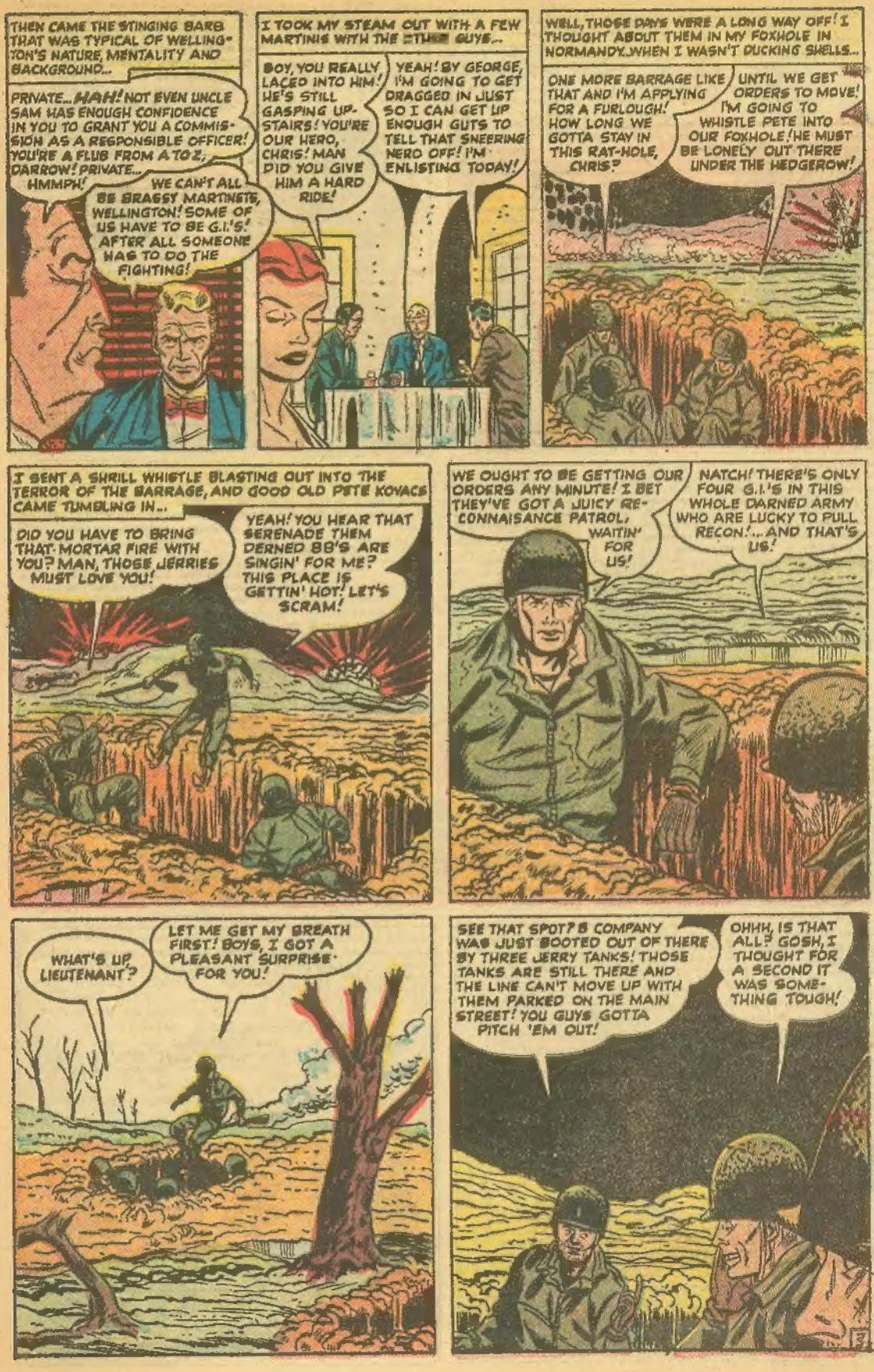
DARROW, STEP INTO MY OFFICE AT ONCE! BRING THE STUFF ON PENNINGTON WITH YOU! I'M HOLDING AN EXEC MEETING!
YOU'RE NEXT, CHRIS! YOU WANT US TO ORDER SOME BROMIDES FOR YOU WHILE WE'RE DOWNSTAIRS!
NAW! I'LL TAKE MINE STRAIGHT! SEE YOU GUYS LATER!

AN EXEC MEETING BY SHERWOOD WELLINGTON WAS ALWAYS A PRODUCTION, WITH WELLINGTON HIMSELF ACTING AS BUDDA, NAPOLEON AND CHIEF NABOB...
SO GLAD YOU COULD COME, MR. DARROW! IS IT POSSIBLE THAT YOUR FUMBLING OF THE PENNINGTON ACCOUNT SLOWED YOUR STEPS?
USUALLY IT'S A BAD THROW THAT CAUSES A FUMBLE!

ARE YOU INTIMATING THAT THE ACCOUNT WAS MISHANDLED BY MYSELF BEFORE I SENT IT TO YOUR DEPARTMENT?
YOU GAVE IT THE KISS OF DEATH, MR. WELLINGTON! WHEN I GOT THE ACCOUNT IT RESEMBLED A CROSS BETWEEN A LEMON AND A MUD-PIE! IT'S TIME YOU SHOULDERED THE BLAME FOR SOME OF YOUR OWN MISTAKES!

THAT LITTLE SLIP OF PAPER IN MY POCKET GAVE ME STRENGTH! WADSWORTH AND WELLINGTON WERE GETTING THE SHOCK OF THEIR STAID, RESPECTABLE CAREERS...
WH...WHY, YOU... GULP! SPLUTTER... FLUB! HOW DARE YOU? I'M CALLING THE SHOTS HERE AND NOBODY ELSE! YOU'RE THROUGH, DARROW! I'LL SMEAR YOUR NAME THROUGHOUT THE INDUSTRY! YOU'LL BE LUCKY TO GET A JOB AS A BOOTBLACK!
TSK, TSK! COULD YOU QUALIFY FOR A BOOTBLACK'S JOB?

OH, HOW I LOVED THAT LITTLE PIECE OF PAPER IN MY POCKET...
Y-YOU'RE FIRED, DARROW! I'LL TURN THIS PLACE UPSIDE DOWN! I'LL SHAKE THIS PLACE UP WITH A REORGANIZATION THAT'LL CLEAN IT LIKE A WHISTLE!
SORRY TO USE AN OLD GAG, MR. SHERWOOD WELLINGTON THE THIRD, BUT YOU CAN'T FIRE ME BECAUSE I QUIT! SEE THIS PIECE OF PAPER? I'M WORKING STEADY FOR UNCLE SAM FROM NOW ON! CALL ME PRIVATE DARROW!


THEN CAME THE STINGING BARB THAT WAS TYPICAL OF WELLINGTON'S NATURE, MENTALITY AND BACKGROUND...
PRIVATE... HAH! NOT EVEN UNCLE SAM HAS ENOUGH CONFIDENCE IN YOU TO GRANT YOU A COMMISSION AS A RESPONSIBLE OFFICER! YOU'RE A FLUB FROM A TO Z, DARROW! PRIVATE... HMMPH!
WE CAN'T ALL BE BRAGGY MARTINETS, WELLINGTON! SOME OF US HAVE TO BE G.I.'S! AFTER ALL SOMEONE HAS TO DO THE FIGHTING!
I TOOK MY STEAM OUT WITH A FEW MARTINIS WITH THE OTHER GUYS...
BOY, YOU REALLY LACED INTO HIM! HE'S STILL GASPING UPSTAIRS! YOU'RE OUR HERO, CHRIS! MAN DID YOU GIVE HIM A HARD RIDE!
YEAH! BY GEORGE, I'M GOING TO GET DRAGGED IN JUST SO I CAN GET UP ENOUGH GUTS TO TELL THAT SNEERING NERO OFF! I'M ENLISTING TODAY!
WELL, THOSE DAYS WERE A LONG WAY OFF! I THOUGHT ABOUT THEM IN MY FOXHOLE IN NORMANDY...WHEN I WASN'T DUCKING SHELLS...
ONE MORE BARRAGE LIKE THAT AND I'M APPLYING FOR A FURLOUGH! HOW LONG WE GOTTA STAY IN THIS RAT-HOLE, CHRIS?
UNTIL WE GET ORDERS TO MOVE! I'M GOING TO WHISTLE PETE INTO OUR FOXHOLE! HE MUST BE LONELY OUT THERE UNDER THE HEDGEROW!
I SENT A SHRILL WHISTLE BLASTING OUT INTO THE TERROR OF THE BARRAGE, AND GOOD OLD PETE KOVACS CAME TUMBLING IN...
DID YOU HAVE TO BRING THAT MORTAR FIRE WITH YOU? MAN, THOSE JERRIES MUST LOVE YOU!
YEAH! YOU HEAR THAT SERENADE THEM DERNED 88'S ARE SINGIN' FOR ME? THIS PLACE IS GETTIN' HOT! LET'S SCRAM!
WE OUGHT TO BE GETTING OUR ORDERS ANY MINUTE! I BET THEY'VE GOT A JUICY RECONNAISANCE PATROL, WAITIN' FOR US!
NATCH! THERE'S ONLY FOUR G.I.'S IN THIS WHOLE DARNED ARMY WHO ARE LUCKY TO PULL RECON!... AND THAT'S US!
WHAT'S UP, LIEUTENANT?
LET ME GET MY BREATH FIRST! BOYS, I GOT A PLEASANT SURPRISE FOR YOU!
SEE THAT SPOT? B COMPANY WAS JUST BOOTED OUT OF THERE BY THREE JERRY TANKS! THOSE TANKS ARE STILL THERE AND THE LINE CAN'T MOVE UP WITH THEM PARKED ON THE MAIN STREET! YOU GUYS GOTTA PITCH 'EM OUT!
OHHH, IS THAT ALL? GOSH, I THOUGHT FOR A SECOND IT WAS SOMETHING TOUGH!

THAT'S A TOUGH ASSIGNMENT, LIEUTENANT! HOW COME MY RECON SQUAD'S BEEN PULLING JUNK-HOUSE DETAILS?
DON'T ASK ME! ALL I KNOW IS THAT SOME NEW BRASS HAT JOINED THE OUTFIT AND HE'S BUCKING FOR MEDALS! HE PLOTTED THIS CAPER BY HIMSELF! THE GUY IS BIG AND TOUGH BUT HE'S AS GREEN AS A CHRISTMAS TREE!

WHEN DO WE SHOVE OFF?
TEN MINUTES! THE NEW CAPTAIN WILL MEET YOU IN ONE HALF HOUR AT THE CROSSROADS A MILE BACK OF THE VILLAGE! IT'S HIS PARTY FROM THERE ON! HAPPY HUNTING, GUYS!

TANKS! THAT MEANS WE'VE GOT TO LUG A BAZOOKA, A BAR AND OUR M-1'S BESIDES! LET'S START MOVING, BOYS!
BOY, DON'T I WISH I WAS BACK ON THE FARM PITCHIN' HAY AND FEEDIN' COWS! THIS INFANTRY DEAL AIN'T FOR PEACE LOVIN' GUYS LIKE ME!

THE JERRIES SPOTTED US ABOUT A HUNDRED YARDS FROM THE RENDEZVOUS POINT AND BEGAN LOBBING MORTARS AT US! IT TOOK US AN EXTRA TWENTY MINUTES TO REACH THE CROSSROADS..
KEEP COVERED! THEY KNOW WE'RE HERE! I DON'T SEE THE CAPTAIN AROUND!
SOMEBODY JUST DIVED BEHIND THAT BLASTED WALL DOWN THE ROAD! MAYBE IT WAS HIM!

WE INCHED OUR WAY DOWN THE HEDGEROW AND SNAKED FOR COVER BEHIND A CRUMBLING WALL! HE WAS WAITING FOR US...
SH-SHERWOOD WELLINGTON... ER.. I MEAN CAPTAIN WELLINGTON!
KEEP IT FORMAL, PRIVATE DARROW! APPARENTLY YOU'RE AS INEFFICIENT IN ARMY LIFE AS YOU WERE IN CIVILIAN LIFE! YOUR SQUAD IS TWENTY MINUTES LATE!

I WAS ORDERED TO RENDEZVOUS WITH YOU HERE, CAPTAIN! WILL YOU BRIEF THE SQUAD ON THE MISSION PLEASE, SIR?
I PICKED YOUR SQUAD DELIBERATELY JUST TO SHOW YOU THAT A MAN LEADS IN WARFARE AS WELL AS IN PEACE! THIS IS MY FIRST COMBAT MISSION, BUT DON'T TAKE ADVANTAGE OF IT, PRIVATE! I'M HERE TO CLEAN THOSE TANKS OUT OF THE VILLAGE AND GET SOME GLORY DOING IT!

WE'RE GOING TO SMASH THAT TANK SPEARHEAD, DARROW! THE FIRST MAN WHO BACKS DOWN AND TRIES TO TURN BACK WILL BE SHOT! I INTEND TO PUT SOME GUTS INTO THIS RECON SQUAD!
WE'VE BEEN IN FRANCE SOME TIME, SIR! THE SQUAD HASN'T SHOWN ANY LACK OF GUTS SO FAR! WE'RE READY TO MOVE, SIR!

I SENSED THE BITTERNESS IN THE MEN, BUT KEPT QUIET. WELLINGTON LET US OUT AND FOR A WHILE IT LOOKED LIKE EASY GOING WHEN SUDDENLY...
W-WHAT WAS IT? ARE W-WE SAFE, PRIVATE?
YESSIR! THEY'RE JUST RAKING US WITH SOME CROSS FIRE TO FIND THE RANGE! WE'D BETTER KEEP MOVING TO COVER, SIR!
RAT-A-TAT A-TAT!
BOOM!
HE LAY THERE, PARALYZED WITH TERROR AND I KNEW THAT INSIDE HIM HE WAS GOING TO PIECES...
WE'VE GOT TO GET TO COVER, SIR! THEY'RE PIN-POINTING US WITH MORTAR FIRE!
N-NO! N-NO! DON'T MOVE! DON'T LEAVE ME HERE! WE'LL BE MASSACRED IF WE GET UP! DARROW... DARROW, STAY HERE W-WITH ME! THAT'S AN ORDER!
GET UP AND RUN! IF WE STAY HERE ANOTHER MINUTE THEY'LL GRIND US TO HAMBURGER!
D-DON'T MOVE, DARROW! IF Y-YOU MOVE I'LL SHOOT! STOP THEM! STOP THEM!
SUDDENLY I HEARD THE OMINOUS CLATTER OF TANK TREADS AND I KNEW THE JERRIES WERE MOVING IN FOR THE KILL BEHIND THE MORTAR BARRAGE...
DUCK BEHIND THAT HOUSE! I'M GOING TO DRAG HIM TO COVER! GIVE ME SOME PROTECTIVE FIRE! I HEAR THOSE TANKS MOVING UP!
THAT BIG BLOW-HARD HAS GONE TO PIECES! HE WAS TALKING ABOUT GUTS AND MEDALS A SHORT WHILE AGO! WE OUGHT TO LEAVE HIM HERE!
GET UP, SIR! TRY TO HELP ME! MOVE YOUR FEET, FOR CRYING OUT LOUD! THOSE TANKS AREN'T FAR AWAY!
LEAVE ME ALONE! I CAN'T STAND IT LET THEM KILL ME! I DON'T CARE!
SUDDENLY HE WENT LIMP IN MY FISTS AS AN 88 CRASHED NEARBY! I FELT THE HOT "WHOOOSH" OF THE BLAST AND THE SCREAM OF SHRAPNEL AS IT YOWLED LIKE A MILLION DEMONS! HE WAS HIT...
HE'S HIT! MAYBE I'LL BE ABLE TO DRAG HIM NOW!
BOOM!
SOMEHOW I MANAGED TO GET HIM BEHIND THE WALL AND DUMPED HIM THERE, A SOBBING, SLOBBERING MASS OF HYSTERIA...
HERE THEY COME, CHRIS! THREE BIG TIGERS! WE AIN'T EVEN DENTING 'EM!
AIM AT THEIR TREADS! MAYBE YOU CAN KNOCK THEM OUT THAT WAY!
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I'LL GET 'EM! I'LL GET THEM TIGERS!
BLAST THEM! KNOCK 'EM OUT!

THE WORLD EXPLODED AROUND US! IN THE HEAT OF BATTLE I HEARD THE MEN SCREAMING HOARSELY AS MURDEROUS SHELL-FIRE BURST NEARBY, AND THEN I WAS CONSCIOUS OF WELLINGTON MOVING AT MY SIDE...
COME ON, BOYS! I LOVE YOU ALL, SO HELP ME! LET'S GET THEM! LET'S POUR IT ON! HOW'S IT GOING CHRIS?
A LOT BETTER NOW THAT YOU'RE WITH US, SIR!

TWO DOWN AND ONE TO GO! THAT THIRD BABY IS OURS, PETE!
MIKE! JOE! LOB A FEW GRENADES IN THROUGH THAT OPEN HATCH!

WE WERE PUNCHING THEN... IN A RED HOT GROOVE! THINGS BEGAN HAPPENING, THE BAZOOKA WHOOSHED OUT LIKE THE VOICE OF A GHOST AND...
THAT'S IT, PETE! NUMBER THREE... AND OUT!
TEAMWORK, EH? THAT BRASS HAT WASN'T A BAD GUY AFTER ALL!

THE MORTARS KEPT PLOPPING AROUND US, BUT WE WEREN'T WORRIED ANY MORE! WE RALLIED BEHIND THE WALL AND COUNTED THE SCORE...
WHAT A GUY! I GOT A HUNCH WELLINGTON IS GOING TO BE A SWELL GUY AFTER ALL!
LOOKS LIKE HE'S HIT BAD! WE BETTER START HAULING HIM BACK!

WELL, WE FOUGHT THROUGH THE BULGE IN A TIGHT UNIT AND WOUND UP IN PARIS ON V-E DAY! BUT EVEN V-E DAY IS FAR AWAY NOW...
HOW'S THE ASSISTANT VICE PRESIDENT IN CHARGE OF PRODUCTION? AS MY RIGHT HAND MAN, HOW ARE YOU MANAGING WITH THE SALES DEPARTMENT REORGANIZATION?
SWELL, S.W.! IT'S ALL SET UP! COME ON IN AND I'LL INTRODUCE YOU TO MY NEW STAFF!

THERE THEY ARE, STRAIGHT FROM A FOXHOLE!
THREE TIGER TANKS COULDN'T LOOK WORSE SITTING BEHIND THOSE DESKS! BOYS, CONGRATULATIONS! HEAVEN HELP WADSWORTH AND WELLINGTON! GLAD TO HAVE YOU!
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LUST FOR GOLD

AN ADVENTURE INTO FEAR!
PLACE: THE AMAZON JUNGLE
TIME: SUMMER, 1950

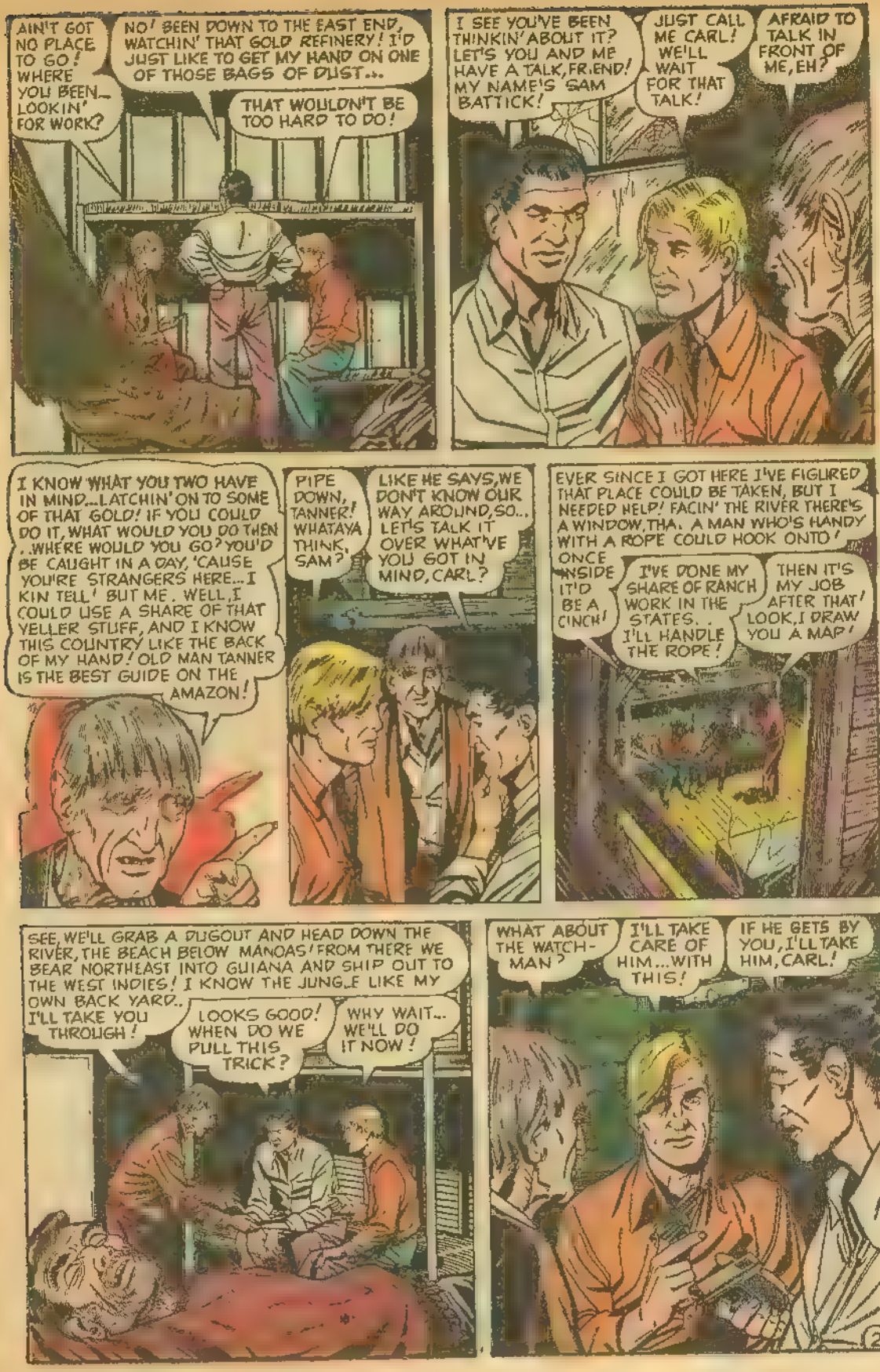
GOLD...THE GLITTERING DUST THAT PROMISES SO MUCH BRINGS INSTEAD LUST, GREED AND BLOOD! HERE IS A STORY OF GOLD AND OF WHAT ITS FALSE PROMISE BROUGHT TO THREE MEN!

DEEP IN THE HEART OF THE AMAZON JUNGLE, IN THE HUT OF A CHIEF OF THE HEAD-HUNTING JIVARO'S, ONE SHRUNKEN HEAD OF THE MANY GHASTLY TROPHIES, COMMANDS ATTENTION! A WHITE MAN'S HEAD, WITH LONG YELLOW HAIR AND STITCHED MOUTH!

IF THOSE HORRIBLY GRINNING LIPS COULD MOVE, COULD SPEAK, THIS IS THE TALE THEY'D TELL...A TALE THAT BEGAN IN PARA, AT THE MOUTH OF THE AMAZON, IN A FLOP-HOUSE THERE, WHERE THREE HUMAN DERELICTS MET...

DIDN'T THINK YOU WERE COMIN' BACK! FELLERS COMIN' INTO THIS PLACE USUALLY DRIFT OFF AFTER A NIGHT!

I SEE YOU TWO ARE STILL HERE!


AIN'T GOT NO PLACE TO GO! WHERE YOU BEEN—LOOKIN' FOR WORK?
NO! BEEN DOWN TO THE EAST END, WATCHIN' THAT GOLD REFINERY! I'D JUST LIKE TO GET MY HAND ON ONE OF THOSE BAGS OF DUST...
THAT WOULDN'T BE TOO HARD TO DO!
I SEE YOU'VE BEEN THINKIN' ABOUT IT? LET'S YOU AND ME HAVE A TALK, FRIEND! MY NAME'S SAM BATTICK!
JUST CALL ME CARL! WE'LL WAIT FOR THAT TALK!
AFRAID TO TALK IN FRONT OF ME, EH?
I KNOW WHAT YOU TWO HAVE IN MIND...LATCHIN' ON TO SOME OF THAT GOLD! IF YOU COULD DO IT, WHAT WOULD YOU DO THEN ..WHERE WOULD YOU GO? YOU'D BE CAUGHT IN A DAY, 'CAUSE YOU'RE STRANGERS HERE...I KIN TELL! BUT ME. WELL, I COULD USE A SHARE OF THAT YELLER STUFF, AND I KNOW THIS COUNTRY LIKE THE BACK OF MY HAND! OLD MAN TANNER IS THE BEST GUIDE ON THE AMAZON!
PIPE DOWN, TANNER! WHATAYA THINK, SAM?
LIKE HE SAYS, WE DON'T KNOW OUR WAY AROUND, SO... LET'S TALK IT OVER WHAT'VE YOU GOT IN MIND, CARL?
EVER SINCE I GOT HERE I'VE FIGURED THAT PLACE COULD BE TAKEN, BUT I NEEDED HELP! FACIN' THE RIVER THERE'S A WINDOW, THA. A MAN WHO'S HANDY WITH A ROPE COULD HOOK ONTO! ONCE INSIDE IT'D BE A CINCH!
I'VE DONE MY SHARE OF RANCH WORK IN THE STATES. . I'LL HANDLE THE ROPE!
THEN IT'S MY JOB AFTER THAT! LOOK, I DRAW YOU A MAP!
SEE, WE'LL GRAB A DUGOUT AND HEAD DOWN THE RIVER, THE BEACH BELOW MANOAS! FROM THERE WE BEAR NORTHEAST INTO GUIANA AND SHIP OUT TO THE WEST INDIES! I KNOW THE JUNGLE LIKE MY OWN BACK YARD.. I'LL TAKE YOU THROUGH!
LOOKS GOOD! WHEN DO WE PULL THIS TRICK?
WHY WAIT... WE'LL DO IT NOW!
WHAT ABOUT THE WATCH-MAN?
I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM...WITH THIS!
IF HE GETS BY YOU, I'LL TAKE HIM, CARL!
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I'LL BREAK INTO THE GENERAL STORE AND SWIPE THE SUPPLIES WE NEED! THEN WE'LL TAKE ONE OF THE NATIVE DUGOUTS AND DRIFT IT DOWN TO THE BACK OF THE GOLD REFINERY... SEE YOU THERE!
RIGHT! BE SURE YOU'RE THERE! LET'S GO SAM!
YEAH! I SAW SOME ROPE AT THE SIDE OF THE BUILDING... I'LL PICK IT UP ON THE WAY!
TEN MINUTES LATER SAM AND CARL HAD ENTERED THE BUILDING WHERE THE GOLD LAY!
THAT'LL TAKE CARE OF THE WATCHMAN!
UGH!
THERE'S JUST THIS BAG OF DUST... WE'LL TAKE THAT... THE BARS ARE TOO HEAVY!
THEN IN A FEW MINUTES MORE THE THREE DERELICTS WERE PADDLING DOWN THE AMAZON TOWARD THE GREEN MAW OF THE JUNGLE WITH THE BAG OF YELLOW DUST AT THEIR FEET!
THAT WAS A CINCH! WONDER WHY THEY DON'T GUARD THAT PLACE BETTER! WE LIFTED A FORTUNE WITHOUT EVEN WORKIN' UP A SWEAT!
PEOPLE AROUND HERE JUST AIN'T GOT THE GUTS FOR THIS KINDA THING SO THEY DON'T FIGGER ON BEING ROBBED!
PULL OVER TO THE BANK, WE'LL CAMP, AND BED DOWN FOR THE NIGHT!
THEY ATE AND DRANK AND ROLLED IN THEIR BLANKETS BUT .THEY DIDN'T SLEEP!
SAM, WHERE YOU GOIN'?
HUH? OH, CARL...THOUGHT YOU WAS ASLEEP! I'M GOIN' TO GET A DRINK! WHAT'S THE GUN FOR?
IT'S FOR INSURANCE! MIGHT BE THAT INSTEAD OF GETTIN' A DRINK YOU WAS FIGGERIN' ON GRABBIN' THE GOLD AND SNEAKIN'!
WHY YOU
NOW YOU FELLERS CUT THAT OUT! SOON'S YOU YOUNGSTERS GET YOUR HANDS ON SOME GOLD YOU GET ORNERY I SEEN IT HAPPEN BEFORE! GOLD CAN TURN A MAN INTO A DEVIL, FULL OF SUSPICION AND MURDER!
WE'LL DIVIDE THE GOLD HERE AN' NOW! EACH MAN CAN GUARD HIS OWN SHARE!
NO, WE'LL KEEP IT LIKE IT IS AND DIVIDE WHEN WE GET TO THE COAST!
NOW, BOYS, SIMMER DOWN WE GOTTA STICK TOGETHER IF WE WANTA GET OUT ALIVE WITH THE DUST!
I WANT WHAT'S COMING TO ME, NOW! I DON'T TRUST... ARRGGHH!
ALL RIGHT. TAKE IT! I NEVER WAS GOING TO GIVE ANY SHARE TO A BUM LIKE YOU!
TCH, TCH, TOO BAD! WELL, HALF OF THAT DUST'LL BE BETTER'N A THIRD!
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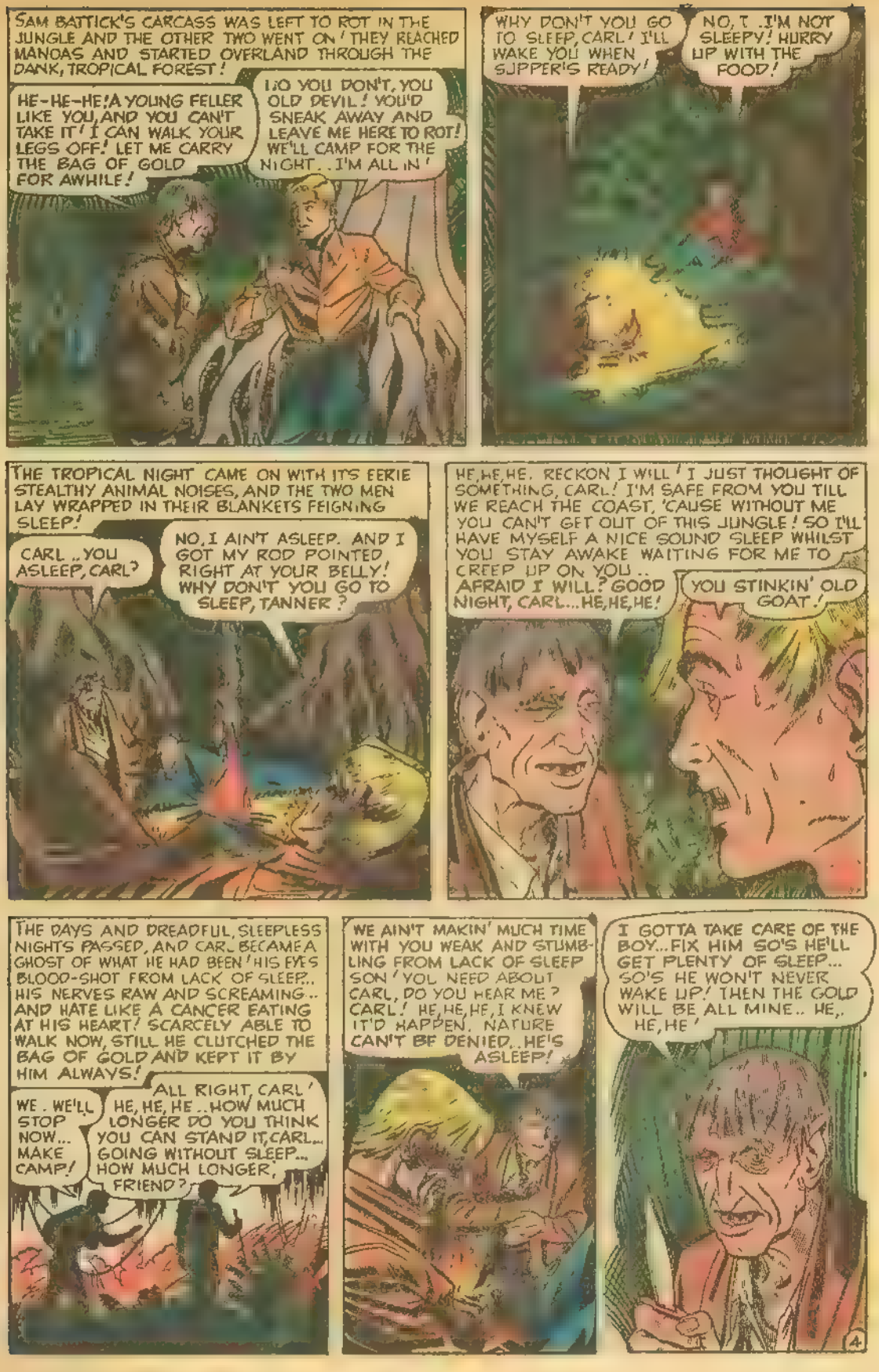
SAM BATTICK'S CARCASS WAS LEFT TO ROT IN THE JUNGLE AND THE OTHER TWO WENT ON ' THEY REACHED MANOAS AND STARTED OVERLAND THROUGH THE DANK, TROPICAL FOREST!
HE-HE-HE! A YOUNG FELLER LIKE YOU, AND YOU CAN'T TAKE IT ' I CAN WALK YOUR LEGS OFF! LET ME CARRY THE BAG OF GOLD FOR AWHILE!
NO YOU DON'T, YOU OLD DEVIL! YOU'D SNEAK AWAY AND LEAVE ME HERE TO ROT! WE'LL CAMP FOR THE NIGHT.. I'M ALL IN '
WHY DON'T YOU GO TO SLEEP, CARL ' I'LL WAKE YOU WHEN SUPPER'S READY!
NO, I .. I'M NOT SLEEPY! HURRY UP WITH THE FOOD!
THE TROPICAL NIGHT CAME ON WITH ITS EERIE STEALTHY ANIMAL NOISES, AND THE TWO MEN LAY WRAPPED IN THEIR BLANKETS FEIGNING SLEEP!
CARL .. YOU ASLEEP, CARL?
NO, I AIN'T ASLEEP. AND I GOT MY ROD POINTED RIGHT AT YOUR BELLY! WHY DON'T YOU GO TO SLEEP, TANNER?
HE, HE, HE. RECKON I WILL ' I JUST THOUGHT OF SOMETHING, CARL! I'M SAFE FROM YOU TILL WE REACH THE COAST, 'CAUSE WITHOUT ME YOU CAN'T GET OUT OF THIS JUNGLE! SO I'LL HAVE MYSELF A NICE SOUND SLEEP WHILST YOU STAY AWAKE WAITING FOR ME TO CREEP UP ON YOU .. AFRAID I WILL? GOOD NIGHT, CARL... HE, HE, HE!
YOU STINKIN' OLD GOAT!
THE DAYS AND DREADFUL, SLEEPLESS NIGHTS PASSED, AND CARL BECAME A GHOST OF WHAT HE HAD BEEN ' HIS EYES BLOOD-SHOT FROM LACK OF SLEEP.. HIS NERVES RAW AND SCREAMING.. AND HATE LIKE A CANCER EATING AT HIS HEART! SCARCELY ABLE TO WALK NOW, STILL HE CLUTCHED THE BAG OF GOLD AND KEPT IT BY HIM ALWAYS!
WE .. WE'LL STOP NOW... MAKE CAMP!
ALL RIGHT, CARL ' HE, HE, HE .. HOW MUCH LONGER DO YOU THINK YOU CAN STAND IT, CARL... GOING WITHOUT SLEEP... HOW MUCH LONGER, FRIEND?
WE AIN'T MAKIN' MUCH TIME WITH YOU WEAK AND STUMBLING FROM LACK OF SLEEP SON ' YOU NEED ABOUT CARL, DO YOU HEAR ME? CARL! HE, HE, HE, I KNEW IT'D HAPPEN. NATURE CAN'T BE DENIED.. HE'S ASLEEP!
I GOTTA TAKE CARE OF THE BOY... FIX HIM SO'S HE'LL GET PLENTY OF SLEEP... SO'S HE WON'T NEVER WAKE UP! THEN THE GOLD WILL BE ALL MINE.. HE,. HE, HE '
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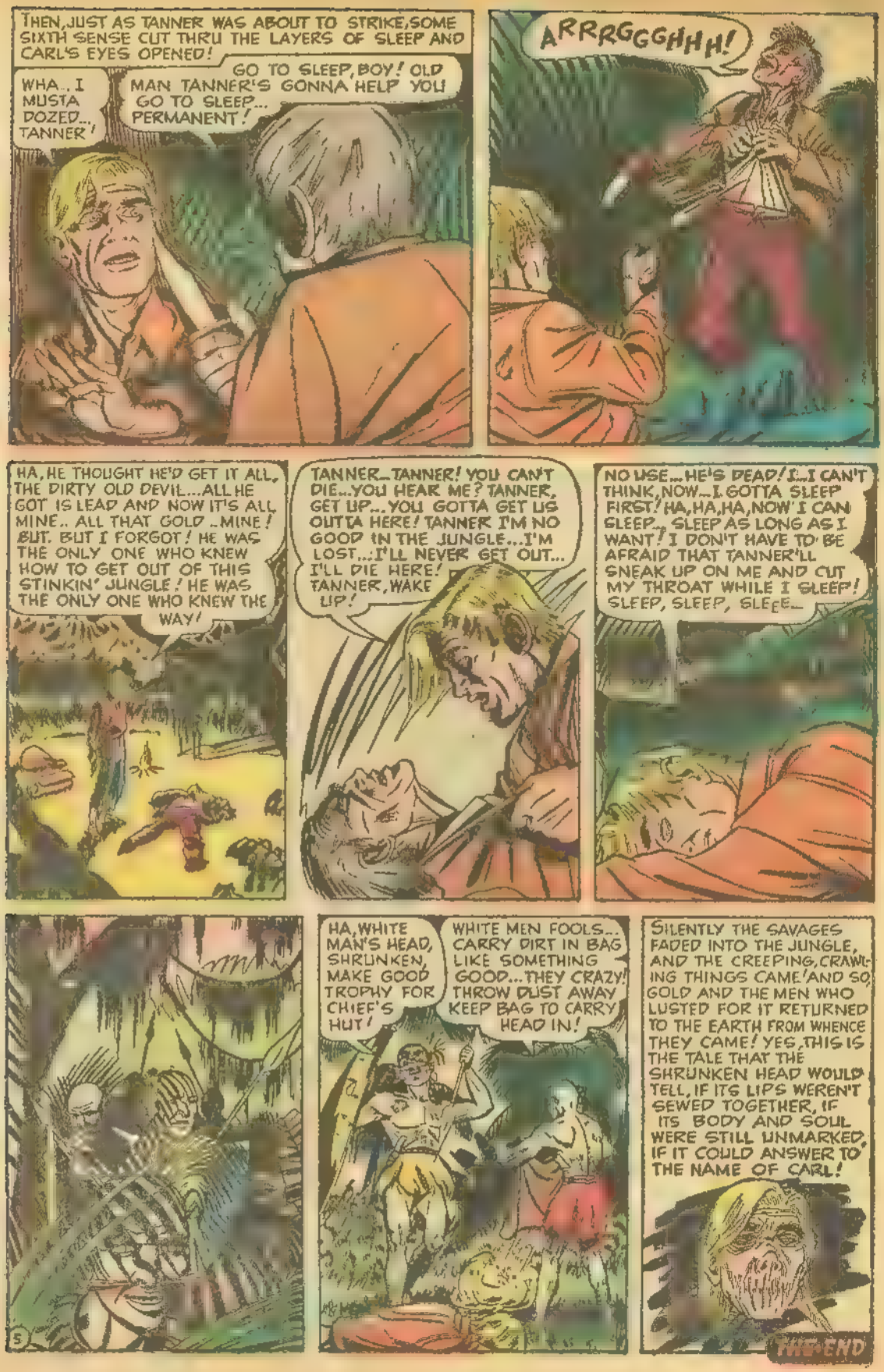
THEN, JUST AS TANNER WAS ABOUT TO STRIKE, SOME SIXTH SENSE CUT THRU THE LAYERS OF SLEEP AND CARL'S EYES OPENED!
WHA... I MUSTA DOZED... TANNER!
GO TO SLEEP, BOY! OLD MAN TANNER'S GONNA HELP YOU! GO TO SLEEP... PERMANENT!
ARRRGGGHHH!
HA, HE THOUGHT HE'D GET IT ALL, THE DIRTY OLD DEVIL... ALL HE GOT IS LEAD AND NOW IT'S ALL MINE.. ALL THAT GOLD .. MINE! BUT. BUT I FORGOT! HE WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO KNEW HOW TO GET OUT OF THIS STINKIN' JUNGLE! HE WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO KNEW THE WAY!
TANNER... TANNER! YOU CAN'T DIE.. YOU HEAR ME? TANNER, GET UP... YOU GOTTA GET US OUTTA HERE! TANNER I'M NO GOOD IN THE JUNGLE... I'M LOST... I'LL NEVER GET OUT... I'LL DIE HERE! TANNER, WAKE UP!
NO USE... HE'S DEAD! I... I CAN'T THINK, NOW... I GOTTA SLEEP FIRST! HA, HA, HA, NOW I CAN SLEEP... SLEEP AS LONG AS I WANT! I DON'T HAVE TO BE AFRAID THAT TANNER'LL SNEAK UP ON ME AND CUT MY THROAT WHILE I SLEEP! SLEEP, SLEEP, SLEEE...
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HA, WHITE MAN'S HEAD, SHRUNKEN, MAKE GOOD TROPHY FOR CHIEF'S HUT!
WHITE MEN FOOLS... CARRY DIRT IN BAG LIKE SOMETHING GOOD... THEY CRAZY! THROW DUST AWAY KEEP BAG TO CARRY HEAD IN!
SILENTLY THE SAVAGES FADED INTO THE JUNGLE, AND THE CREEPING, CRAWLING THINGS CAME! AND SO, GOLD AND THE MEN WHO LUSTED FOR IT RETURNED TO THE EARTH FROM WHENCE THEY CAME! YES, THIS IS THE TALE THAT THE SHRUNKEN HEAD WOULD TELL, IF ITS LIPS WEREN'T SEWED TOGETHER, IF ITS BODY AND SOUL WERE STILL UNMARKED, IF IT COULD ANSWER TO THE NAME OF CARL!
THE END

WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT

HAIR LOSS

ITCHY SCALP, DANDRUFF, HEAD SCALES, SEBORRHEA, EXCESSIVE FALLING HAIR

The following facts are brought to the attention of the public because of a widespread belief that nothing can be done about hair loss. This belief has no basis in medical fact. Worse, it has condemned many men and women to needless baldness by their neglect to treat certain accepted causes of hair loss.

There are six principal types of hair loss, or *alopecia*, as it is known in medical terms:

1. Alopecia from diseases of the scalp
2. Alopecia from other diseases or from an improper functioning of the body
3. Alopecia of the aged (senile baldness)
4. Alopecia areata (loss of hair in patches)
5. Alopecia of the young (premature baldness)
6. Alopecia at birth (congenital baldness)

Senile, premature and congenital alopecia cannot be helped by anything now known to modern science. Alopecia from improper functioning of the body requires the advice and treatment of your family physician.

BUT MANY MEDICAL AUTHORITIES NOW BELIEVE A SPECIFIC SCALP DISEASE IS THE MOST COMMON CAUSE OF HAIR LOSS.

This disease is called Seborrhea and can be broadly classified into two clinical forms with the following symptoms.

1. ***DRY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair is dry, lifeless, and without gloss. A dry flaky dandruff is usually present with accompanying itchiness. Hair loss is considerable and increases with the progress of this disease.
2. ***OILY SEBORRHEA:*** The hair and scalp are oily and greasy. The hair is slightly sticky to the touch and has a tendency to mat together. Dandruff takes the form of head scales. Scalp is usually itchy. Hair loss is severe with baldness as the end result.

Many doctors agree that to NEGLECT these symptoms of DRY and OILY SEBORRHEA is to INVITE BALDNESS.

DESTRUCTION OF HAIR FOLLICLES Caused By Seborrhea

A — Good hairs; B — Hair-destroying bacteria; C — Hypertrophied sebaceous glands; D — Atrophic follicles.

Seborrhea is believed to be caused by three germ organisms — staphylococcus albus, pityrosporum ovale, and acnes bacillus.

These germs attack the sebaceous gland causing an abnormal working of this fat gland. The hair follicle, completely surrounded by the enlarged diseased sebaceous gland, then begins to atrophy. The hair produced becomes smaller and smaller until the hair follicle dies. Baldness is the inevitable result. (See illustration.)

But seborrhea can be controlled, particularly in its early stages. The three germ organisms believed to cause seborrhea, can and should be eliminated before they destroy your normal hair growth.

A post-war development, Comate Medicinal Formula kills these three germ organisms on contact. Proof of Comate's germ-killing properties has been demonstrated in laboratory tests recently conducted by one of the leading testing laboratories in America. (Complete report on file and copies are available on request.)

When used as directed, Comate Medicinal Formula controls seborrhea—stimulates the flow of blood to the scalp—helps stop scalp itch and burn—improves the appearance of your hair and scalp—helps STOP HAIR LOSS due to seborrhea. Your hair looks more attractive and alive.

You may safely follow the example of thousands who first were skeptical, then curious, and finally decided to avail themselves of Comate Medicinal Formula.

A Few of the Many Grateful Expressions By Users of Comate Medicinal Formula

"My hair was coming out for years and I tried everything. Nothing stopped it until I tried Comate. Now my hair has stopped coming out. It looks so much thicker. My friends have noticed my hair and they all say it looks so much better." —Mrs. R. E. J., Stevenson, Ala.

"Your hair formula got rid of my dandruff; my head does not itch any more. I think it is the best of all of the formulas I have used. —E.R., Hamilton, Ohio.

"Your formula is everything you claim it to be and the first 10 days trial freed me of a very bad case of dry seborrhea." —J.E.M., Long Beach, Calif.

"I do want to say that just within five days I have obtained a great improvement in my hair. I do want to thank you and the Comate Laboratories for producing such a wonderful and amazing formula." —M.M., Johnstown, Pa.

"I have found almost instant relief. My itching has stopped with one application. —J.N., Stockton, Calif.

"My hair looks thicker, not falling out like it used to. Will not be without Comate in the house. —R.W., Lonsdale, R. I.

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"This formula is everything if not more than you say it is. I am very happy with what it is doing for my hair." —T.J., Las Cruces, New Mexico

"I find it stops the itch and retards the hair fall. I am thankful for the help it has given me in regard to the terrible itchiness. —R.B.I., Philadelphia, Pa.

"The bottle of Comate I got from you has done my hair so much good. My hair has been coming out and breaking off for about 21 years. It has improved so much." —Mrs. J.E., Lisbon, Ga.

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Remember, if your hair loss is due to Seborrhea, Comate CAN and MUST help you. If it is due to causes beyond the reach of Comate Medicinal Formula, you have nothing to lose because our GUARANTY POLICY assures the return of your money unless delighted. So why delay when that delay may cause irreparable damage to your hair and scalp. Just mail the coupon below.

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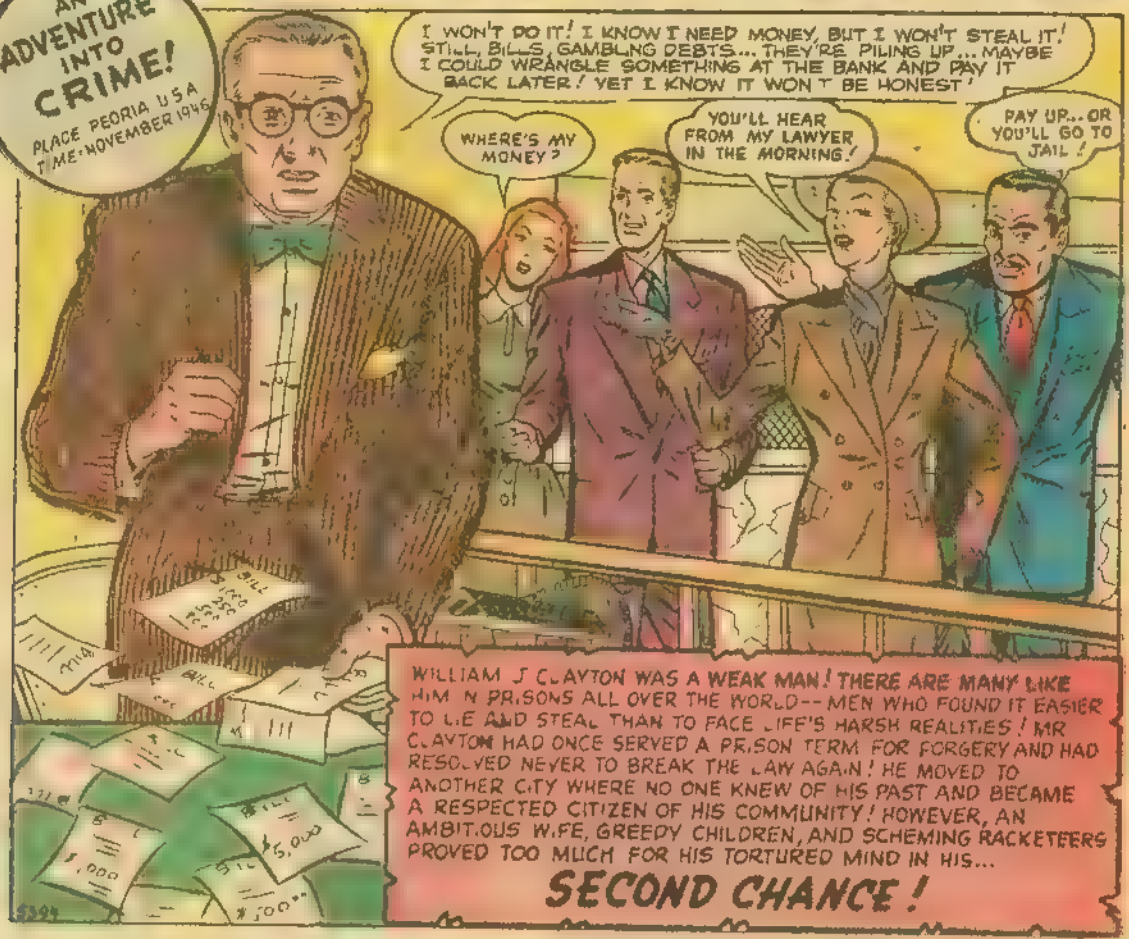
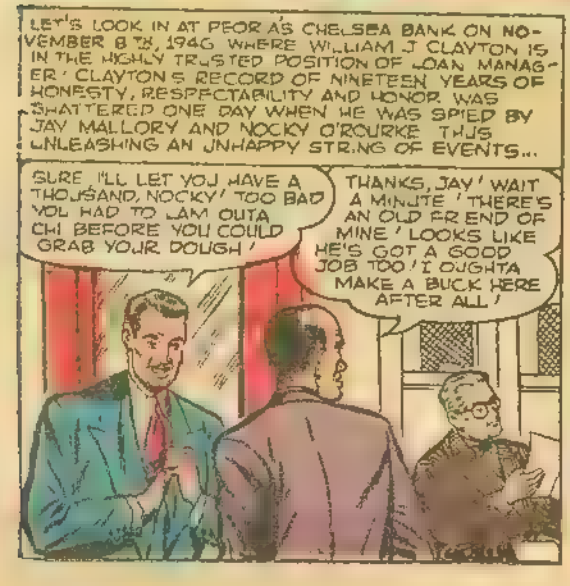
SECOND Chance

AN ADVENTURE INTO CRIME!
PLACE: PEORIA U.S.A.
TIME: NOVEMBER 1946


I WON'T DO IT! I KNOW I NEED MONEY, BUT I WON'T STEAL IT! STILL, BILLS, GAMBLING DEBTS... THEY'RE PILING UP... MAYBE I COULD WRANGLE SOMETHING AT THE BANK AND PAY IT BACK LATER! YET I KNOW IT WON'T BE HONEST!
WHERE'S MY MONEY?
YOU'LL HEAR FROM MY LAWYER IN THE MORNING!
PAY UP... OR YOU'LL GO TO JAIL!
WILLIAM J. CLAYTON WAS A WEAK MAN! THERE ARE MANY LIKE HIM IN PRISONS ALL OVER THE WORLD-- MEN WHO FOUND IT EASIER TO LIE AND STEAL THAN TO FACE LIFE'S HARSH REALITIES! MR. CLAYTON HAD ONCE SERVED A PRISON TERM FOR FORGERY AND HAD RESOLVED NEVER TO BREAK THE LAW AGAIN! HE MOVED TO ANOTHER CITY WHERE NO ONE KNEW OF HIS PAST AND BECAME A RESPECTED CITIZEN OF HIS COMMUNITY! HOWEVER, AN AMBITIOUS WIFE, GREEDY CHILDREN, AND SCHEMING RACKETEERS PROVED TOO MUCH FOR HIS TORTURED MIND IN HIS...
SECOND CHANCE!


LET'S LOOK IN AT PEORIA'S CHELSEA BANK ON NOVEMBER 8TH, 1946 WHERE WILLIAM J. CLAYTON IS IN THE HIGHLY TRUSTED POSITION OF LOAN MANAGER. CLAYTON'S RECORD OF NINETEEN YEARS OF HONESTY, RESPECTABILITY AND HONOR WAS SHATTERED ONE DAY WHEN HE WAS SPIED BY JAY MALLORY AND NICKY O'ROURKE THUS UNLEASHING AN UNHAPPY STRING OF EVENTS...
SURE, I'LL LET YOU HAVE A THOUSAND, NICKY! TOO BAD YOU HAD TO SLAM OUTA CHI BEFORE YOU COULD GRAB YOUR DOUGH!
THANKS, JAY! WAIT A MINUTE! THERE'S AN OLD FRIEND OF MINE! LOOKS LIKE HE'S GOT A GOOD JOB TOO! I OUGHTA MAKE A BUCK HERE AFTER ALL!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN YOU'LL MAKE MONEY HERE YET? WHAT'S THE ANGLE?
SEE THAT GUY? WELL, HE USED TO HAVE A NASTY HABIT O' SIGNIN' CHECKS.. OTHER PEOPLES' LOOKS LIKE HE'S A BIG WHEEL HERE! IF I DON'T FIGGER SOMETHIN' OUTTA THIS, I'LL QUIT AND WORK FOR A LIVING!

WILLIAM J CLAYTON HAD A GOOD JOB, BUT THE DEMANDS OF A SELFISH FAMILY WERE BEGINNING TO BECOME TOO MUCH FOR HIM; AND AS IF THAT WASN'T ENOUGH, THE PHONE RANG AND HIS TROUBLES REALLY STARTED!
HELEN AND THE CHILDREN ARE DRIVING ME OUT OF MY MIND WITH DEMANDS FOR MONEY! IT HAS TO BE STOPPED!
HELLO! MR. CLAYTON SPEAKING! WHAT? WHO IS THIS? WHAT WAS THAT NUMBER YOU JUST SAID?
CLAYTON'S PAST HAD CAUGHT UP WITH HIM!
YOU HEARD ME! I SAID NUMBER 860087! YOU REMEMBER IT WELL ENOUGH. THIS IS NOCKY O'ROURKE. REMEMBER ME? WE USED TO BE "ROOM-MATES" ONCE!
YES I REMEMBER YOU, NOCKY! WHAT DO YOU WANT? WHERE ARE YOU—?
I JUST GOT IN TOWN! I'M AT THE GAMBLING CLUB OF MY PAL, JAY MALLORY, —THE "CLUB BERMUDA"! HE'S O.K.! COME ON OVER AND WE'LL TALK OVER OLD TIMES!
NO, I CAN'T DO THAT! IT WOULDN'T DO FOR ME TO BE SEEN IN THAT PLACE WITH YOU AND MALLORY.
IT'LL BE TO YOUR ADVANTAGE, CLAYTON! YOU BETTER COME OVER, NO ONE ELSE WILL KNOW!
ALL RIGHT, NOCKY, I'LL BE THERE AS SOON AS I CAN!
CLAYTON HAD NO CHOICE. HIS SECRET HAD TO BE KEPT! HE WENT TO THE BERMUDA CLUB!
WHERE CAN I FIND MR. MALLORY, PLEASE?
RIGHT IN THERE, SIR!
PRIVATE
WELL, CLAYTON, I HAVEN'T SEEN YOU IN TWENTY YEARS! SEEMS LIKE ONLY YESTERDAY WE WERE IN STIR TOGETHER! MEET A FRIEND OF MINE, JAY MALLORY!
HELLO, MALLORY! KEEP YOUR VOICE DOWN, NOCKY, WHEN YOU TALK ABOUT PRISON!
THIS PLACE IS SOUND PROOF! SIT DOWN!
I DON'T THINK ANY MAN WHO EVER LIVED WAS EVER AS WORRIED AS I AM RIGHT NOW! IT'S A NIGHT-MARE! MY WIFE SPENDS MONEY LIKE WATER, AND YOU TURN UP!
I DIDN'T ASK YOU HERE TO MAKE A TOUCH, CLAYTON! I'M SORRY TO HEAR YOU'RE NOT DOING SO WELL.
A HALF AN HOUR LATER...
...AND THE KIDS ARE JUST AS DEMANDING... SPENDING THEIR ALLOWANCE BEFORE THEY GET IT. CHARGE ACCOUNTS OVER-DRAWN AND THEY KNOW WE CAN'T AFFORD IT! I DON'T KNOW WHAT I CAN DO!
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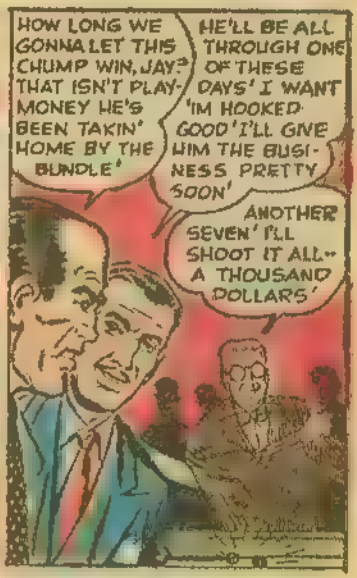
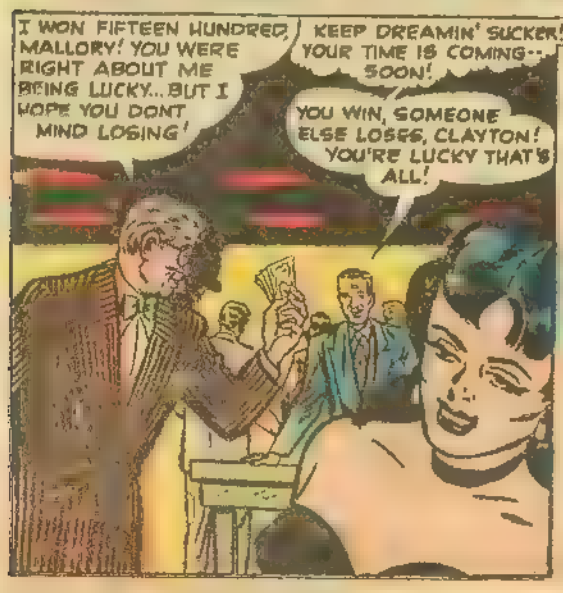
THAT'S TOUGH, ALL RIGHT, CLAYTON! HERE--HAVE A CIGARETTE! WE'LL FIGURE SOMETHING OUT, WON'T WE, NOCKY?
SURE WE WILL, JAY! WE CAN'T LET A NICE GUY LIKE CLAYTON DOWN! REMEMBER HOW LUCKY AT DICE YOU USED TO BE, CLAYTON? WHY DON'T YOU ROLL A FEW... AN' SEE HOW FAST YOUR LUCK WILL CHANGE!
NO THANKS, FELLOWS... SAY--I WAS LUCKY AT DICE BUT I CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE MUCH! I HAVE TO BE CAREFUL!

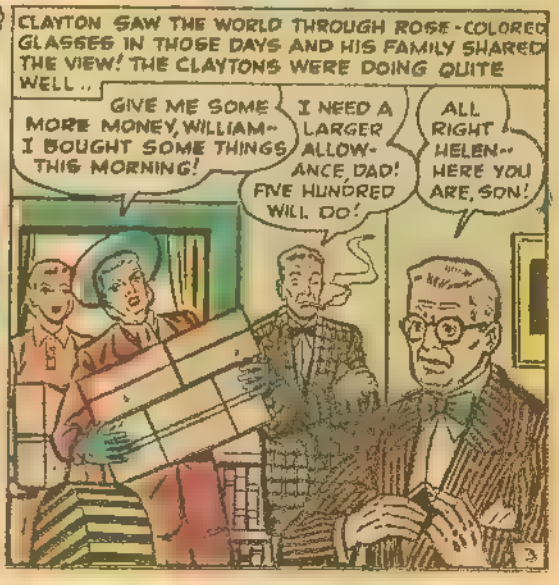
WHAT DID MALLORY HAVE IN MIND? WAS THIS PART OF A PLAN?
THIS GUY FEELS LUCKY, BOYS! GIVE HIM THE "LUCKY" DICE AN' LET'S SEE WHAT HE CAN DO!
YES, MR. MALLORY! THE "LUCKY" DICE! HERE YOU ARE, SIR!

CLAYTON DIDN'T KNOW IT, BUT THE FIX WAS IN HIS FAVOR...
MY LUCK HAS COME BACK! THERE'S ENOUGH HERE TO KEEP HELEN QUIET FOR A WHILE. I OUGHT TO TRY THIS MORE OFTEN!
THE CHUMP WOULDN'T HAVE A CHANCE IF I DIDN'T GIVE HIM LOADED DICE! I'LL GET THAT DOUGH BACK TEN TIMES OVER!

WILLIAM J. CLAYTON WON CONSISTENTLY! HIS FAMILY ACCEPTED THEIR NEW PROSPERITY WITHOUT QUESTION...
BE SURE TO BE HOME IN TIME FOR THE DINNER PARTY TONIGHT, WILLIAM!
SHE SPENDS MORE ALL THE TIME! I'LL HAVE TO GO TO MALLORY'S PLACE TONIGHT TO GET MORE MONEY!
I'LL BE HERE!


HOW LONG WE GONNA LET THIS CHUMP WIN, JAY? THAT ISN'T PLAY-MONEY HE'S BEEN TAKIN' HOME BY THE BUNDLE!
HE'LL BE ALL THROUGH ONE OF THESE DAYS! I WANT 'IM HOOKED GOOD! I'LL GIVE HIM THE BUSINESS PRETTY SOON!
ANOTHER SEVEN! I'LL SHOOT IT ALL-- A THOUSAND DOLLARS!


I WON FIFTEEN HUNDRED, MALLORY! YOU WERE RIGHT ABOUT ME BEING LUCKY... BUT I HOPE YOU DON'T MIND LOSING!
KEEP DREAMIN' SUCKER! YOUR TIME IS COMING-- SOON!
YOU WIN, SOMEONE ELSE LOSES, CLAYTON! YOU'RE LUCKY THAT'S ALL!


CLAYTON SAW THE WORLD THROUGH ROSE-COLORED GLASSES IN THOSE DAYS AND HIS FAMILY SHARED THE VIEW! THE CLAYTONS WERE DOING QUITE WELL..
GIVE ME SOME MORE MONEY, WILLIAM-- I BOUGHT SOME THINGS THIS MORNING!
I NEED A LARGER ALLOWANCE, DAD! FIVE HUNDRED WILL DO!
ALL RIGHT HELEN-- HERE YOU ARE, SON!

JAY MALLORY AND NOCKY O'ROURKE AGREED THAT THE TIME WAS RIPE...
I SAY THE SUCKER'S HOOKED, NOCKY! IT'S TIME TO SNAP HIM OUT OF HIS DREAM!
HE HITS THE SKIDS TODAY! HIS WIFE IS SPENDING DOUGH FASTER THAN HE IS WINNING IT!
THAT NIGHT CLAYTON SHOWED UP AS USUAL...ANXIOUS TO MAKE ANOTHER KILLING...
COME ON, DICE, BE GOOD! HEY! I LOST FOUR PASSES IN A ROW!
ROLL THEM AGAIN, MR. CLAYTON! YOU ALWAYS COME BACK!
SOON...
I-I'M A LITTLE EMBARRASSED MALLORY! I'LL HAVE TO ASK YOU TO ACCEPT AN I.O.U.!
THAT'S ALL RIGHT, CLAYTON! DROP IN AGAIN... YOUR I.O.U. WILL BE ALL RIGHT IF YOU'RE SHORT ANY TIME!
I.O.U.
two thousand dollars ($2,000) to
Jay Mallory
Wm. J. Clayton
THE NEXT NIGHT THE SAME THING OCCURRED...AND THE NEXT NIGHT...AND THE NEXT...
NO! I-I'VE LOST AGAIN! THIS CAN'T BE! GIVE ME THOSE DICE...ONE MORE PASS AND MY LUCK WILL CHANGE!
I'M SORRY, CLAYTON THAT WAS YOUR LAST! I CAN'T ACCEPT ANY MORE PAPER FROM YOU UNTIL YOU PAY WHAT YOU OWE ME...SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS!
SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS! I HAVEN'T GOT THAT MUCH MONEY, MALLORY! YOU CAN'T STOP MY CREDIT NOW...I KNOW I'LL WIN IF YOU GIVE ME ANOTHER CHANCE!
NO! YOU BETTER GET OUT OF HERE AND START RAISING MONEY FAST!
I WON'T PAY IT! THE DICE ARE CROOKED! NO... DON'T HIT... UGHHH!
THE DICE ARE CROOKED? THEY WERE OKAY WHEN YOU WERE WINN'N MY DOUGH! I'LL SHOW YOU WHAT I DO TO WELCHERS!
OWW! I'LL GET THE MONEY! I'LL GET IT SOMEHOW, PLEASE DON'T HIT ME AGAIN!
BEAT IT, CRUMB!
THE SUCKER'S SCARED STIFF! HE COULDN'T RAISE A DIME IF HE HAD NINE CENTS TO START WITH! IN TWO OR THREE DAYS I'LL MAKE THE PROPOSITION AND HE'LL GO FOR IT!

WILLIAM CLAYTON DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO OR WHOM TO TURN TO FOR HELP..
DEAR, YOU FORGOT TO GIVE THE CHILDREN THEIR ALLOWANCE TH S WEEK AND I WANT TO BUY A...
MORE BILLS! BILLS FOR CLOTHES, BILLS FOR PARTIES, BILLS FOR SERVANTS! I'LL PUT A STOP TO THIS!
YOU'LL BUY NOTHING AND THE CHILDREN CAN FORGET THEIR ALLOWANCE!
THE PRESSURE WAS ALREADY HEAVY WHEN O'ROURKE BROUGHT TWO OF HIS MUSCLE BOYS ALONG FOR MORE "PERSUADING!"
WHO ARE THESE HOODLUMS, WILLIAM? I TOLD YOU TO KEEP YOUR VULGAR FRIENDS OUT OF THIS HOUSE!
TELL HER TO CLAM UP OR I'LL LET THE BOYS WORK HER OVER! BE AT THE CLUB TONIGHT--WE GOT A PLAN YOU MIGHT LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT!
I REFUSE TO HAVE ANYTHING MORE TO DO WITH YOU OR MALLORY!
OH, NO YOU DON'T, CLAYTON! HOW WOULD THE BANK LIKE IT IF THEY KNEW AN EX-CON WAS PLAYING WITH THEIR DOUGH? I'LL TELL 'EM IF YOU DON'T PLAY NICE!
YOU DIRTY-- ALL RIGHT! YOU WIN! I'LL BE THERE!
YES, MALLORY AND O'ROURKE WON! CLAYTON HAD NO FIGHT LEFT AS HE APPEARED AT THE CLUB BERMUDA THAT EVENING..
COME ON IN, CLAYTON! WE'RE GOING TO TELL YOU HOW TO END YOUR FINANCIAL TROUBLES!
WHAT IS THE PLAN YOU WANT ME TO HEAR?
IT'S SIMPLE ENOUGH! YOU'RE THE LOAN MANAGER AT THE BANK AND I FIGURE YOU OKAY HALF A MILLION DOLLARS IN LOANS A MONTH.. AND THE GUYS TAKING THE LOANS PUT THEIR PROPERTY ON THE LINE AS SECURITY!
THAT'S RIGHT! BUT HOW DOES THAT HELP US? THOSE LOANS ARE MADE AFTER I INVESTIGATE AND DECIDE THE COLLATERAL OFFERED WILL COVER THE AMOUNT BORROWED!
THAT'S OUR POINT, CLAYTON! YOU INVESTIGATE AND YOU OKAY THE LOANS! WELL, FROM NOW ON WE'RE BORROWING PLENTY... AND YOU'LL OKAY THE DEALS!
WE'LL START WITH A FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLAR LOAN ON AN APARTMENT HOUSE-- I DON'T OWN ONE BUT YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE THAT KNOWS IT! CATCH ON?
IT MIGHT WORK, O'ROURKE! I'LL ARRANGE THE LOAN TOMORROW!
BUT CLAYTON'S BANK WASN'T AS SLOW AS HE THOUGHT! HIS EMPLOYERS HAD GOOD REASON TO SUSPECT.. AND HIS EVERY MOVE WAS BEING WATCHED...
I THOUGHT YOU'D NEVER FINISH UP, CLAYTON! DID THE LOAN GO THROUGH?
YES! YOU CAN PICK UP THE CASH IN THE MORNING!
NAT ONAL BANK
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EXACTLY ONE MONTH LATER, THE TRIO HAD FOUR HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS OF THE BANK'S MONEY, BORROWED ON FICTITIOUS PROPERTY!
THE BANK EXAMINERS WERE RIGHT WHEN THEY WANTED CLAYTON SHADOWED! THAT'S NOCKY O'ROURKE WITH HIM, AND NOCKY'S ALWAYS MIXED UP IN SOMETHING "SHADY!"
RESTAU
NEXT MORNING .
THIS CLINCHES IT! O'ROURKE ACTUALLY GETTING THE MONEY FROM CLAYTON! I SAW THE APPLICATION FOR THAT LOAN--MADE OUT BY A MR. CANNING ON A PROPERTY HE DOESN'T OWN--AND MR. CANNING TURNS OUT TO BE...NOCKY O'ROURKE!
THAT'S THE EVIDENCE WE NEED TO GRAB THEM, INSPECTOR!
UH...WHAT CAN I DO FOR YOU, SIR?
ALL RIGHT, MR. CLAYTON, LET'S GO! I'M INSPECTOR DUGAN OF HEAD-QUARTERS. WE'RE TAKING A RIDE OVER TO THE CLUB BERMUDA!
TEN MINUTES LATER THE CLUB BERMUDA WAS SURROUNDED BY POLICE...
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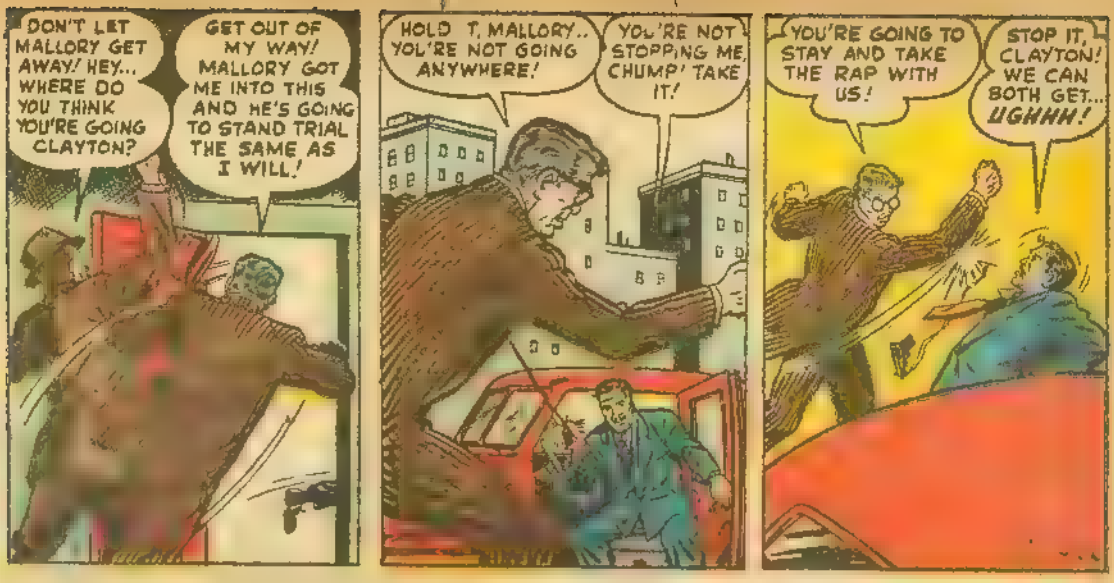
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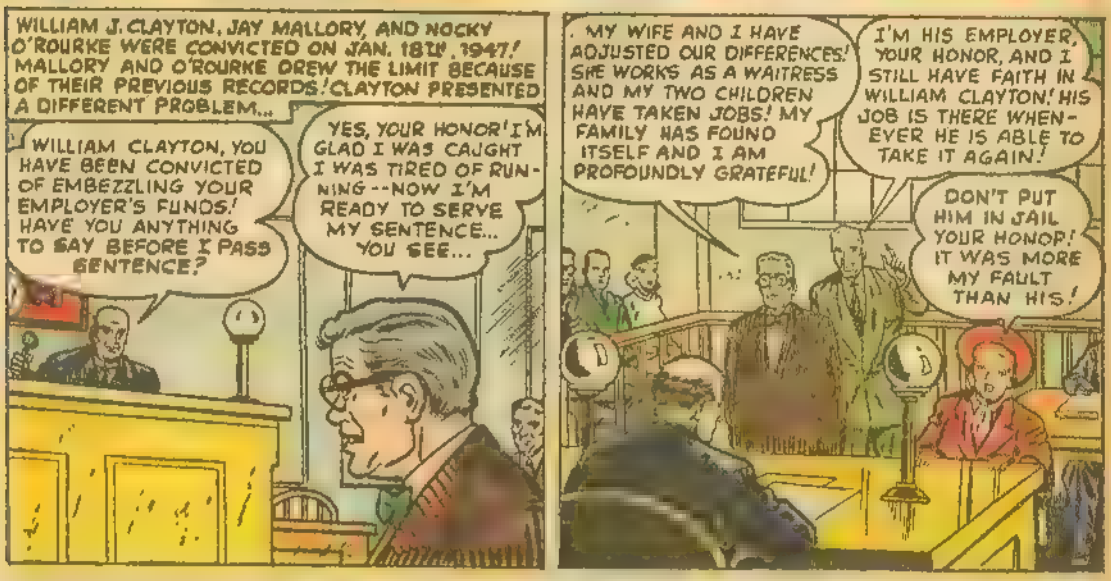
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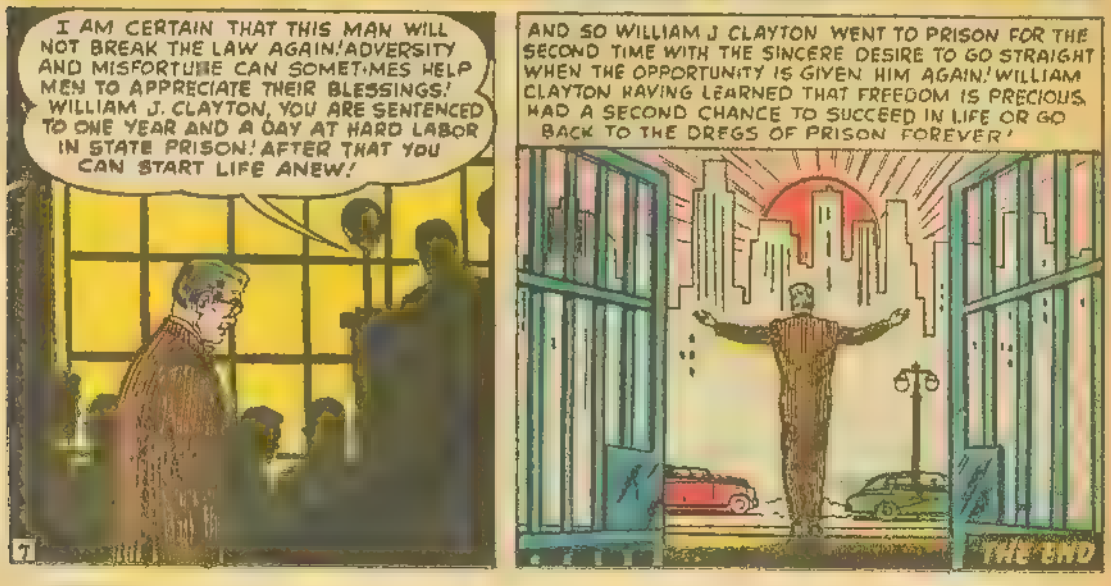
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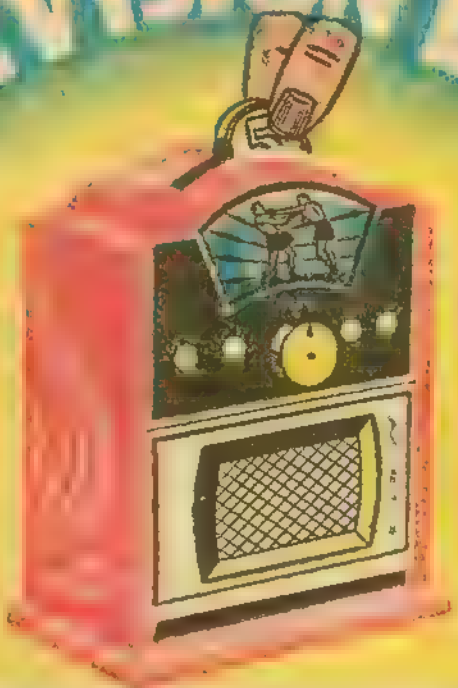

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IT was shortly after daybreak when Ralph Lawson rubbed the sleep from his eyes and with an effort swung his feet over the side of the cot. Even at this early hour the jungle was awake. Just beyond the doorway of his bamboo shack he could hear the sounds of monkeys chattering noisily in the branches, and the sound of metal as his boy set the pots and pans in order for an early breakfast.

He had been in India three years now. One more month and he would be ready to return home. This thought seemed to give him new energy. He dressed quickly, shaved, and in a short while he was finishing the coffee and biscuits that Bon-tah, his native helper, had prepared.

Bon-tah, an agile native of the Bengal Province, squatted beside him as he swallowed the last of his coffee.

"Sahib go make last check on railroad line this morning?" Bon-tah asked. He squinted up at Ralph Lawson, waiting for his reply.

"Yes, Bon-tah. The very last check. Then it's home for me."

"Good, Sahib, good," said Bon-tah. "I go fetch gun now," and he scampered away toward the rear of the shack.

When Bon-tah returned, Lawson took the gun from him and with an experienced hand he slid back the bolt. The gun was empty, since he had cleaned it the night before. Reaching into the knapsack that rested at his feet, he withdrew a box of cartridges. Then, one by one, he loaded five shells into the chamber. He placed the balance of the shells in his shirt pocket.

Bon-tah watched the proceedings in an alert manner. His dark eyes followed the quick movements of Lawson's hands with a look of admiration and awe for the white man's skill.

After sliding the bolt back into firing position, he put the heavy rifle to his shoulder. He then swung his knapsack to his other shoulder, and with his right hand, he grasped the long pole that Bon-tah handed him.

This pole was a strange contraption. It was a little over six feet in length and at the tip there was a large, iron hook.

Lawson was taking a last look about the camp when Bon-tah approached him.

"Master, Sahib," he said. "I would like very much to go with you this day."

"There's no need of that," said Lawson.

Bon-tah shrugged his shoulders in a manner of acceptance.

"As you wish, Sahib," he said. "But I have heard talk that large tiger is nearby."

"I've heard that tiger talk for three years now," said Lawson, laughingly.

He gave Bon-tah an affectionate pat on the shoulder and, turning quickly, he walked down the narrow trail that led away from the camp.

In a few moments he was in the jungle. The thick, dank vegetation almost blotted out the path he was following. It grew hungrily. The tendrils seemingly reached out for him—wrapping themselves about his ankles as though they would keep him from going another step. He kicked viciously at their restraining grasp and plodded onward along the trail.

Ralph Lawson knew this country well. For three years, almost each week without fail, he had traveled this same stretch of land. At the waterfall he would turn sharply to the left and another half mile would bring him to the jungle's edge. Here would be a stream, and alongside it the single-track railroad line that carried food and supplies to the jute plantations further north. His job was a simple one, but of vital importance.

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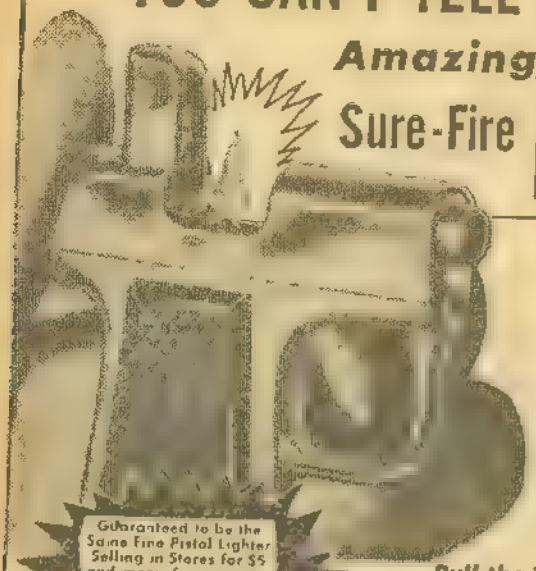

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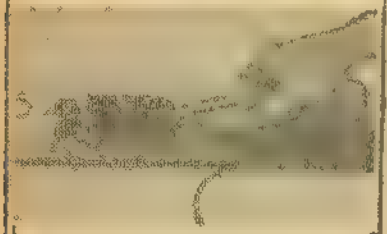

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for him to leave Bon-tah. He had grown fond of him during these past three years, but then all things have to come to an end at one time or another.

As he hurried along he thought of Bon-tah telling him that there had been talk of a tiger in the vicinity. He laughed to himself as he pushed onward through the jungle. It was ridiculous! For three years he had walked this same path and not once, in all his trips, had he faced a single danger. It was true that he had carried his rifle, but it was only a precaution that the good Bon-tah had always insisted upon.

The thought of the gun caused him to stop momentarily. He had been walking quickly, and he felt a bit winded from the strain. He shifted the gun to his other shoulder to relieve the pressure and, taking a deep breath, he hurried on.

A few minutes later he reached the waterfall, and turning left he followed the familiar well-worn path. He covered the last half mile quickly, and a short while later he was out of the jungle.

The track-line lay winding before him, and within a few minutes he was tearing away the vines with his long pole.

Slowly he plodded his way up the track. It was strenuous work and, as he went along, the weight of his knapsack and rifle became unbearable. He stopped a moment to rest, and to relieve his burden he unslung his rifle and rested it against the trunk of a tree.

Fifteen minutes later he had reached the turn in the line. Once around that bend, his job would be over. From there on the line was clear of vines.

As he approached the turn, some hidden sense warned him of danger. The air had become stilled. Not a leaf stirred. The trees that had been filled with the chatter of monkeys were now hushed and silent.

And then he saw it.

Lying there at the turn, as though it were waiting for him, was the tiger. Unblinking yellow eyes in a large, fierce head stared defiantly into his own eyes.

A second passed . . . then another. At any moment he expected the spring, the crashing weight of the beast upon him and — oblivion. Somehow it didn't come.

Slowly he raised his hand to his shoulder, but his rifle was gone. He felt a sudden nausea as the image of the rifle resting against the tree trunk flashed through his mind.

He almost fled in wild panic, but his instinct warned him against such action. His only chance was his rifle. Somehow he had to get back to it.

Slowly he stepped backwards. Like a given signal, the tiger rose to its feet and, with its cat-like stalk, the huge beast followed him at an equal pace back along the trail he had come.

The minutes dragged and then, through the corner of his eye, he caught sight of the tree. *If his luck would only hold out a bit longer,* he thought.

Slowly he backed toward the tree, and the tiger, as though confident of his victim, continued to approach in the same slow and measured step.

Now was his only chance, he thought. His hand reached back and in another moment it closed about the smooth barrel. In a flash he brought it to his shoulder, but the tiger, sensing danger, made a quick leap into the jungle and was gone.

The strain over, Ralph Lawson sank wearily to the ground. In another moment he heard a sound of running footsteps and suddenly Bon-tah was at his side.

"Sahib! Sahib!" he shouted. "Tiger really here. Two people killed last night in village!"

"I know," said Lawson. "I just met him, and I almost got a shot at him, but he broke for it."

"But, Sahib," said Bon-tah, and he looked at Ralph Lawson's hands in a puzzled manner. "Where is your gun?"

Ralph Lawson followed Bon-tah's questioning glance and what he saw made his blood run cold. In his tightly gripped hands was nothing but a bamboo shoot. He turned quickly, and there—still resting against the tree—was his rifle.

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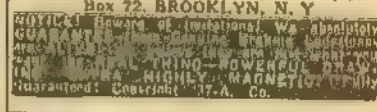

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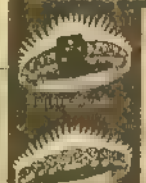
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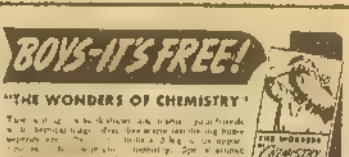

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MAN IS FOREVER FLEEING...SEEKING ESCAPE! WHAT IS ESCAPE? IS IT FREEDOM? DOES IT MEAN LIFE... OR DEATH? THIS MAN KNOWS THE ANSWER... FOR HIM, THERE IS NO ESCAPE!
YOU MURDERED ME!
YOU STOLE MY LIFE'S SAVINGS!
YOU MADE MY SON A CRIMINAL!
YOU KILLED MY FATHER!
A REAL MEN'S ADVENTURE
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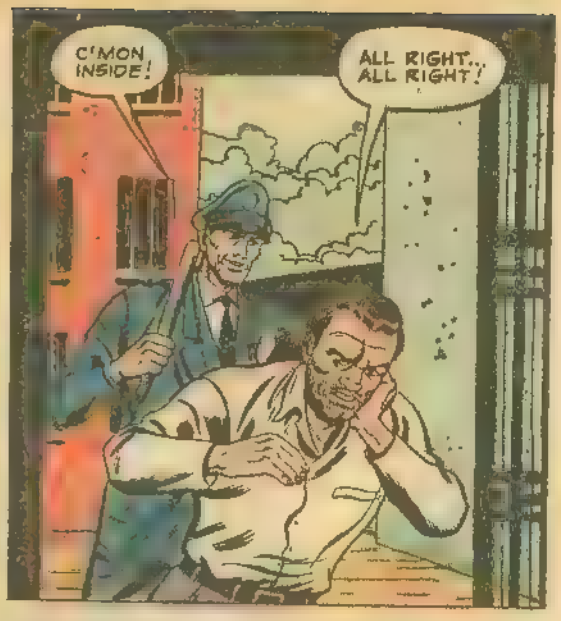
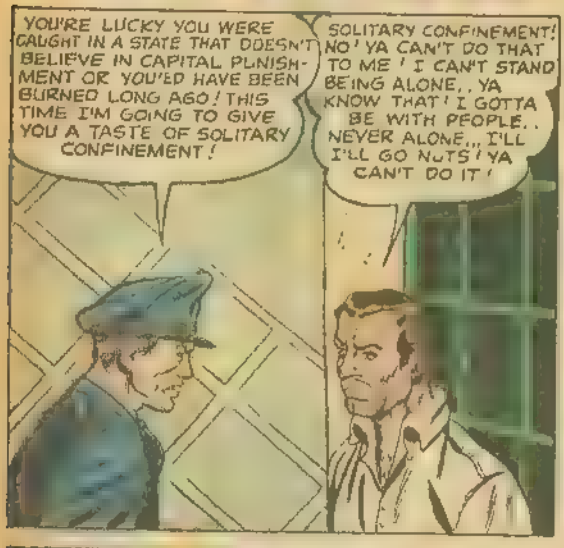
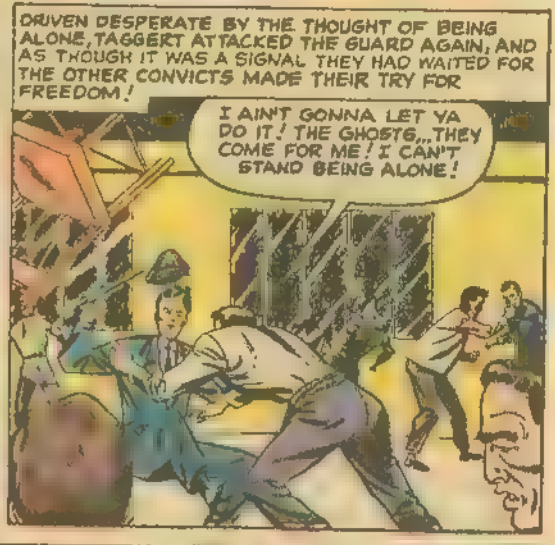
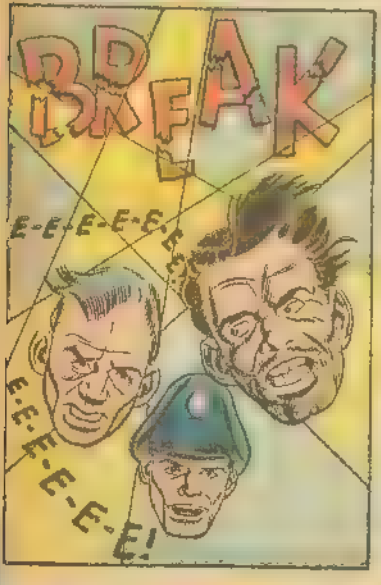
BEN TAGGERT WAS A LIFER IN A MID-WEST PENITENTIARY!
WE'RE GOING TO MAKE A BREAK TONIGHT, BEN! ARE YOU WITH US?
I THINK YOU'RE CRAZY TRYING IT THAT WAY... BUT I'LL GO ALONG, 'CAUSE IF YOU GO, CHARLEY, AND MAKE IT, I'LL BE ALL ALONE IN THE CELL ALL NIGHT! YEAH, I'M WITH YA!
BREAK IT UP!
TAGGERT, I TOLD YOU BEFORE, I DON'T WANT THESE GATHERINGS BETWEEN YOU MEN! IF YOU INSTIGATE THIS SORT OF THING AGAIN I'LL TAKE AWAY YOUR PRIVILEGES!
WHY YOU CRUMMY GUMSHOE...!

TAGGERT'S UNSTABLE, KILLING TEMPER, ALWAYS NEAR THE SURFACE, FLARED OUT!
I'LL KILL YA!
STOP IT! YOU FOOL!


C'MON INSIDE!
ALL RIGHT.. ALL RIGHT!


YOU'RE LUCKY YOU WERE CAUGHT IN A STATE THAT DOESN'T BELIEVE IN CAPITAL PUNISHMENT OR YOU'D HAVE BEEN BURNED LONG AGO! THIS TIME I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A TASTE OF SOLITARY CONFINEMENT!
SOLITARY CONFINEMENT! NO! YA CAN'T DO THAT TO ME! I CAN'T STAND BEING ALONE,. YA KNOW THAT! I GOTTA BE WITH PEOPLE.. NEVER ALONE,,, I'LL I'LL GO NUTS! YA CAN'T DO IT!


DRIVEN DESPERATE BY THE THOUGHT OF BEING ALONE, TAGGERT ATTACKED THE GUARD AGAIN, AND AS THOUGH IT WAS A SIGNAL THEY HAD WAITED FOR THE OTHER CONVICTS MADE THEIR TRY FOR FREEDOM!
I AIN'T GONNA LET YA DO IT! THE GHOSTS,,,THEY COME FOR ME! I CAN'T STAND BEING ALONE!


BREAK
E-E-E-E-E-E-E!
E-E-E-E-E-E!

THE CONVICTS BEGAN THEIR ATTEMPT TO ESCAPE, BUT THE GUARDS ON THE WALLS WERE READY FOR THEM!
A-TAT-TAT
RAT-A-TAT!

I MADE IT! IT'S GETTIN' DARK... SOON'S I SEE A TOWN I'LL SWIPE SOME CLOTHES AND GO WHERE THERE'S PEOPLES!
OF THE MANY WHO TRIED THAT DAY, ONLY BEN TAGGERT GOT ACROSS THE GREY WALLS TO THE WOODS BEYOND!
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THERE'RE LIGHTS AHEAD THERE... I'LL HEAD FOR THEM... MUST BE A TOWN!
IT AIN'T NO TOWN... IT'S AN ARMY JOINT! I GOTTA GET OUTTA HERE!
U.S. ARMY EXPERIMENTAL STATION
THE COPS, THEY'RE CLOSE! I'LL HIDE IN THAT SCAFFOLDING.. I CAN HEAR THEM ALL AROUND IN THE WOODS!
HUH, THE ARMY AIN'T LETTIN' THEM N' BUT MAYBE THE SOLDIER'LL START LOOKIN' FOR ME! IF THEY TURN SEARCH LIGHTS ON THEY'LL SPOT ME SURE... AND IF I TRY TO MAKE IT TO THE WOODS THE COPS'LL GET ME!
THIS THING'S GOT A DOOR IN IT! I'LL HIDE INSIDE... MAYBE THEY WON'T LOOK IN HERE... MAYBE THEY'LL GO AWAY SOON! IT'S MY ONLY CHANCE!
HMMM-- THIS IS A QUEER SORTA JOINT! WONDER WHAT IT IS! I DON'T LIKE THIS... BEIN' ALONE HERE! THAT TYPEWRITTEN SHEET... I'LL READ IT! IT'LL KEEP ME FROM REMEMBERIN' THAT I'M ALONE... FOR A FEW MINUTES ANYWAY!
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the classroom secret

I'LL GIVE YOU 25 CENTS, ALICE, BUT WHAT DO YOU WANT IT FOR?
I'M SORRY, MOTHER. I CAN'T TELL. IT'S A CLASS SECRET IN SCHOOL.
COME ON. LET'S PLAY BASEBALL. WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH THE 50 CENTS YOU'LL GET FOR CUTTING THE GRASS?
GOTTA EARN SOME MONEY. IT'S A CLASS ROOM SECRET.
CATS
WELL, WE'VE GOT 10 DOLLARS SAVED UP AND WE'RE ALL READY FOR THE PARTY. BUT WHERE CAN WE HOLD IT?
LET'S GO AND SEE MY BROTHER, JOE. HE'S A DOCTOR AND KNOWS A LOT ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS. MAYBE HE CAN HELP US.
IT'S A WONDERFUL IDEA TO GIVE A SURPRISE PARTY FOR YOUR TEACHER. I HAVE A BIG PLAYROOM IN MY HOUSE. YOU CAN HOLD THE PARTY THERE.....
I'M GLAD YOU CHILDREN CAN SEE HOW IMPORTANT TEACHERS ARE. WHEN I WAS YOUNGER MY TEACHER HELPED ME TO BE A DOCTOR. IF IT WEREN'T FOR TEACHERS, NONE OF US WOULD GET AHEAD IN THE WORLD OR LEARN ANYTHING.
THANK YOU FOR THIS WONDERFUL PARTY, CHILDREN! IT CERTAINLY MAKES ME GLAD I AM A TEACHER.
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FASANO

SUDDENLY THERE WAS A TREMENDOUS ROAR AND THE CONVICT WAS THROWN TO THE FLOOR OF THE STRANGE CRAFT AND A GREAT RUSH OF MOVEMENT PINNED HIM HELPLESS!
IT'S MOVIN'... IT'S GOIN' UP... GOIN' UP INTO THE SKY!
I KIN MOVE NOW!.. BUT THIS THING IS STILL GOIN' UP.. I CAN FEEL IT! WHAT GOES ON HERE? WHAT IS THIS THING?
MAYBE THIS SHEET I WAS READIN' KIN TELL ME ABOUT IT! WHERE IS IT... I DROPPED IT! AH, HERE IT IS! I HOPE IT TELLS ME WHERE THIS THING'S GONNA LAND... AND I HOPE WHOEVER'S PILOTING THIS THING DOESN'T GET WISE THAT I'M HERE!
EXPERIMENTAL ROCKET 2 IS AUTOMATICALLY CONTRO FROM STATION UNTIL IT GOES BEYOND ORBIT OF CONTROL! THE ROCKET SHOULD REACH BEYOND THE MOON BEFORE FUEL IS HAUSTED! FROM THEN ON IT L DRIFT IN OUTER SPACE FOREVER!
"...DRIFT IN OUTER SPACE FOREVER!" THEY'RE CRAZY! WHAT KINDA GAG IS THIS! AUTOMATICALLY CONTROLLED... THAT MEANS NO PILOT.. I'M ALONE! ALONE! NO... IT'S GOTTA LAND SOME PLACE! "DRIFT FOREVER"... THAT'S NUTS! THERE'S A WINDOW, I'LL TAKE A LOOK!
IT... IT'S THE MOON! I'M ALONE... ALL ALONE... SHUT INSIDE THIS TUBE! IT'S STOPPIN'! I CAN FEEL IT! THE FUEL MUST BE GONE! NOW I'LL DRIFT HERE FOREVER! I... I CAN'T GET OUT! I'M ALONE... ALONE FROM NOW ON!
NO! I CAN'T BE ALONE... I CAN'T! THE GHOSTS... THEY'RE COMIN'! I CAN'T BE ALONE FOREVER... I CAN'T STAND IT... I CAN'T STAND IT!
I WONDER WHAT HAPPENED TO BEN TAGGERT? DID HE GO CRAZY? DID HE LIVE WITH HIS GHOSTS AWHILE IN A FRENZY OF FEAR, AND THEN GRADUALLY DIE OF HUNGER AND THIRST? OR DID THE TERRIBLE STILLNESS AND LONELINESS OF OUTER SPACE STRIKE HIM DOWN QUICKLY? I WONDER... DON'T YOU?
THE END

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What a "black mark" is the blackhead . . . according to men and girls popular enough to be choosy about dates!

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So can you blame the fellow who says, "Sure, I meet lots of girls who look cute at first glance. But if, on that second glance, I see dingy blackheads, it's *good night!*"

Or can you blame the girl who confesses, "I hate to go out with a fellow who has blackheads. If he's careless about that you're sure he'll embarrass you in other ways, too!"

But you—are YOUR ears burning? Well, you've company and, sad to say, good company. There are lots of otherwise attractive fellows and girls who could date anyone they like if they'd only realize how offensive blackheads are . . . and how easily and quickly they could get rid of them . . . if they *cared* to!

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I WONDER WHY WE'RE NOT POPULAR SIS?
ASK YOUR FRIEND TOM
TOM, WHY DON'T SIS AND I GET INVITED TO PROMS AND PARTIES
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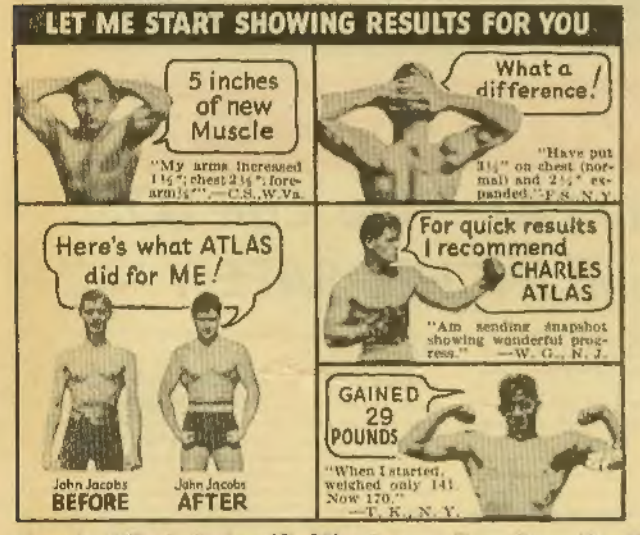
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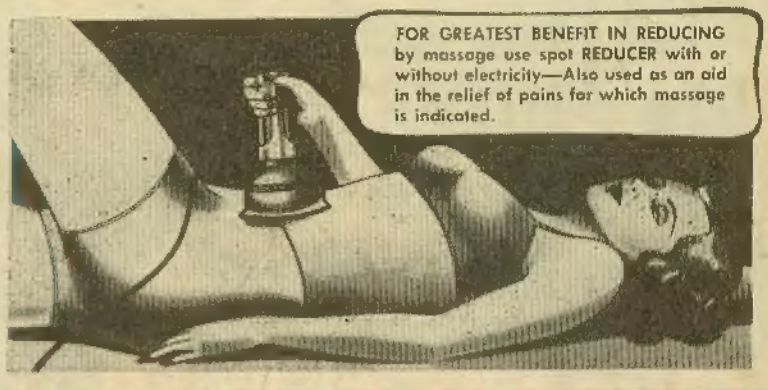

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